

From: James Cook
To: Microsoft ATR
Date: 12/13/01 2:23am
Subject: Punishment?

For the government to allow Microsoft to escape any penalty by allowing Microsoft to give software to schools is like punishing a fox by locking the fox in a henhouse full of chicken. For any judge to spend more than 5 minutes realizing this is a joke only shows the government is not serious about breaking Microsoft's monopoly and the judge is clueless. The settlement would only be taken out of Microsoft's advertising budget.

If the government allows Microsoft to escape punishment with their proposed plan, the government should just create a Department of Microsoft and admit defeat and humiliation.

Jim Cook